

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete list of the claims now pending; this listing replaces all earlier versions and listings of the claims.

1. (Currently amended) A luminaire comprising:
 - at least one lamp;
 - a reflector surrounding the lamp, a side of said reflector facing towards said lamp being reflecting, said reflector being formed with an emission opening for emission of light; and
 - an optical element arranged in or before the emission opening for deflecting light beams which enter into a light entry surface and exit from a light exit surface opposite to said light entry surface of the optical element such that light beams exit from said optical element at an exit angle which is smaller than a predetermined limit exit angle of about 70°, said optical element having a plate-like core of transparent material which is occupied on said light entry surface with tapered microprisms formed by furrows, each of said microprisms having on at least two sides roots from which said ~~microprisms taper~~microprism tapers,

 said reflector being shaped and arranged with reference to said lamp such that only light beams reflected at said reflector and impinging on said light entry surface can exit said light exit surface.
2. (Original) A luminaire according to claim 1, wherein said reflector has an inner side towards said lamp which inner side is formed to be diffusely reflecting.
3. (Original) A luminaire according to claim 2, wherein said inner side of the reflector is painted white or is coated with highly reflecting Teflon.

4. (Original) A luminaire according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein said luminaire includes two elongated lamps arranged parallel to one another and laterally offset with respect to said emission opening.

5. (Original) A luminaire according to any of claims 1 to 3, further including an annular lamp which is arranged laterally outwardly offset with respect to said emission opening.

6. (Original) A luminaire according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein said microprisms of said optical element are arranged in a matrix-like manner.

7. (Original) A luminaire according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein said microprisms have an elongate structure.

8. (Previously presented) A luminaire comprising:
at least one lamp;
a reflector surrounding the lamp, a side of said reflector facing towards said lamp being reflecting, said reflector being formed with an emission opening for emission of light;
an optical element arranged in or before the emission opening for deflecting light beams which enter into and exit from the optical element such that light beams exit from said optical element at an exit angle which is smaller than a predetermined limit exit angle of about 70°, said optical element having a plate-like core of transparent material which is occupied on one side with microprisms formed by furrows, said microprisms having roots from which said microprisms taper,
said reflector being shaped and arranged with reference to said lamp that only light beams reflected at said reflector can exit said emission opening through said optical element, and

a second optical element arranged to deflect light beams which enter into and exit from said second optical element, such that said light beams exit from said second optical element at an exit angle which is less than a predetermined limit exit angle, said second optical element being constructed in the same manner as the optical element, wherein

 said second optical element is formed with further microprisms which have an elongate structure, and

 said second optical element is arranged parallel to said optical element and the microprisms of said second optical element are directed transversely to the microprisms of said optical element.

9. (Previously presented) A luminaire according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein; the furrows between the microprisms are covered over by a reflecting material or are filled with a reflecting material, in order to prevent an entry of the light beams through the furrows into the microprisms.

10. (Currently amended) A luminaire comprising:

 an elongated lamp;

 an elongate reflector configured to surround said lamp, said reflector having an inner side the inner side facing towards the lamp and being formed to be reflecting, said reflector being formed with an emission opening for emission of light; and

 an optical element arranged in or before said emission opening, for deflecting light beams which enter into a light entry surface and exit from a light exit surface opposite to said light entry surface of said optical element at an exit angle which is smaller than a predetermined exit angle of about 70°,

 said optical element having, on a light entry side thereof, a plate-like core of transparent material, and having a light exit side which is occupied on said light entry surface with

microprisms which are formed by furrows ~~and which taper, starting from roots thereof each of said~~
microprisms having on at least two sides roots from which said microprism tapers,

 said inner side of said reflector being formed to be mirror-reflecting, and being arranged with reference to said lamp such that only light beams reflected at said reflector and impinging on said light entry surface can exit said light exit surface, and

 said microprisms having an elongate structure and extending transversely of said lamp.

11. (Original) A luminaire according to claim 10, wherein said furrows between said microprisms are covered by a reflecting material or are filled with a reflecting material, in order to prevent an entry of light beams through the furrows into the microprisms.

12. (Previously presented) A luminaire comprising:

 an elongated lamp;
 an elongate reflector configured to surround said lamp, said reflector having an inner side the inner side facing towards the lamp and being formed to be reflecting, said reflector being formed with an emission opening for emission of light;

 a first optical element arranged to deflect light beams which enter into and exit from said first optical element to exit from said first optical element at an exit angle which is smaller than a predetermined exit angle of about 70°,

 said first optical element having a plate-like core of transparent material which is occupied on a light exit side thereof with microprisms and furrows, said microprisms having roots from which said microprisms taper, and

 said microprisms of said first optical element having an elongate structure; and

a second optical element arranged to deflect light beams which enter and exit from said second optical element to exit from said second optical element at an exit angle which is smaller than a predetermined limit exit angle,

 said second optical element being of the same construction as said first optical element and being formed with microprisms,

 the microprisms of said second optical element likewise having an elongate structure,

 said second optical element being arranged parallel to said first optical elements,

 said microprisms of said second optical element extending transversely to said microprisms of said first optical element, and

 said inner side of said reflector being formed to be mirror-reflecting, and being arranged with reference to said lamp that only light beams reflected at said reflector can exit said emission opening through said first optical element.

13. (Original) A luminaire according to claim 12, wherein the furrows between the microprisms of at least one of said first and second optical elements being covered over by means of a reflecting material or being filled with a reflecting material, in order to prevent an entry of the light beams through said furrows into said microprisms.

14. (New) A luminaire according to claim 8, wherein said reflector has an inner side towards said lamp which inner side is formed to be diffusely reflecting.

15. (New) A luminaire according to claim 14, wherein said inner side of the reflector is painted white or is coated with highly reflecting Teflon.